The 2010 Tax Season — By The Numbers!

by Steve Smith

The 21st TSC Office of the Staff Judge Advocate operated seven tax assistance centers in Germany and the Benelux during the 2010 overseas tax filing season, which ended on June 15th. Thousands of taxpayers used the service and got back millions. Here are the results:

8,194 customers signed in.

9,632 Federal and State tax returns were generated.

We saved our customers \$1,784,279. [This is what they would have had to pay a commercial tax preparer for the same services we provided for free.]

And our customers got back \$17,770,830 in tax refunds.

Important Note: While the filing season is over, tax assistance is still available through the Kaiserslautern Legal Assistance Office. We can prepare current and past year federal and state tax returns for those who missed the filing deadline and for those returning from deployments. We can still electronically file 2009 returns through October 15th. We can also amend federal and state tax returns, and help our clients respond to IRS notices. Tax help is available on an appointment basis. Call DSN 483-8848 or Civilian 0631-411-8848 to make an appointment.

TAX TEAM MAKES AFN HISTORY... 21st TSC's team of tax experts (from left to right, Donald Davis, Steve Smith, Joerg Moddelmog, & Mark Christensen) participated in their second AFN Open-Line tax call-in program of the season on April 7, 2010. For the first time, AFN Europe streamed a live Open-Line radio call-in show on the Internet. This gave listeners who have poor radio reception due to low-power signals the chance to hear the program. If you missed the show, you can download it from the AFN Europe website and listen to it: http://www.afneurope.net/Home/ArticleDisplayDD/tabid/649/Default.aspx?cid=666

